



63 Years of DX-cellence



February 2011

# BULLetin

The Southern California DX Club

*"If you need him get in there and work him"*

The Southern California DX Club is a group of dedicated men and women active in the amateur radio community who enjoy communicating over the air with other radio amateurs around the world.

The SCDXC strongly supports the DX Code of Conduct. Please visit their website:

[www.dx-code.org](http://www.dx-code.org)

The newsletter is published every month and is released to its members about the first of each month. Amateur and DX related letters, news and pictures are welcome and will be published as time and space permit.

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Any questions regarding this newsletter or its articles should be addressed to the editor, Bill:

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Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM except April, June and December.

Please check the club web site for events and details at:

<http://www.scdxc.org>

If you are in the area please say hello on our repeater:

**W6AM/R145.48,(-) 100Hz PL**



**NEXT MEETING**  
**February 10 @ 7:30 PM!**

**Marty Woll, N6VI**  
**The Gambia**

**"Making it work—No matter what"**

**RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!!!!**

- **Hugh Allen, W6MFC SK**
- **Navassa Island!**
- **Visalia IDXC Early Registration!**
- **Meet the 2011 Board!**
- **We Always Need**  
Reporters  
Articles & Interesting Tidbits

**Making friends all over the world using the magic of Amateur Radio.**  
**Sponsors of the International DX Convention, since 1949**

# HUGH ALLEN, W6MFC



It is with great sadness we report that our dear friend and long time SCDXC member Hugh Allen passed away last month. He held positions of treasurer and secretary for many years. He was also a member of QCWA, Society of Wireless pioneers, and the 50 club. Rest well OM. We will see you soon.

## OBITUARY

Hugh Silas Allen Jr. was born on October 15, 1917 in Texarkana, Texas. He was the eldest son of his parents Hugh and Theresa Allen with his younger brother John Wright Allen 3 years his junior. The family traveled a lot in Hugh's early years because Hugh's father worked for the railroad. His Family finally settled in San Francisco where he attended the local High School, Galileo High School. He later attended and graduated from Berkley with a B.S. in Engineering. After college when WWII broke out Hugh enlisted in the Navy and was sent to Officers Training School and further training in well known engineering colleges such as Bowden College to hone his skills in radio communications. He became a radio communications instructor during the war and taught pilots and radio personnel. He was eventually based in the Pacific. He served 3+years with a large amount of time in the Philippines attaining the rank of Lieutenant.

Hugh met and married his first wife in San Francisco, but alas the marriage was a war casualty and they were divorced after a short time. After Hugh left the service he reestablished his career in radio he met and married Abigail Allen, who was originally from Panama. After marrying Gail they moved to New York. He worked in radio at the U.N. and began his audio career. He bought a house on Linda Lane where he and Gail cared for his aged sick parents until their deaths. Hugh's father was a diabetic and later an amputee while Hugh's mother suffered from Alzheimer's. Both parents are buried at Hillside Memorial, New York. He joined the Pioneer Broadcaster's club in New York and later transferred to the Pacific Pioneer Broadcasters in Los Angeles where many notable TV, Radio and Movie celebrities and technical workers are members.

Hugh traveled as a result of representing companies in the audio industry and was given the opportunity of heading up the West Coast Operations for a well know manufacturer of audio equipment in Hollywood as Vice President where he spent the remainder of his working life after moving to California in 1965. He bought the house he lived in and loved over 45+ years ago on Royal Woods Dr. in Sherman Oaks in 1965 and worked on it lovingly over the years. He had 2-radio towers on his property- one 75 feet and one 50-feet. He was an avid Ham Radio Operator belonging to several radio clubs of serving as an officer in a couple of clubs over the years. He was last secretary of the 50's club up until he was in his eighties.

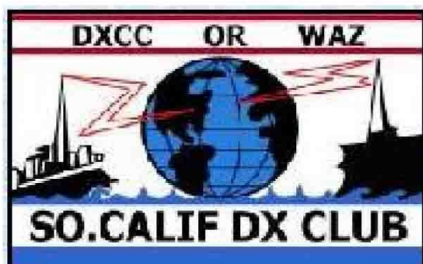
Hugh Silas also belonged to the Sapphire Club, a recording and broadcaster club, in Hollywood where he spent much time with fellow engineers in the audio business as well as broadcasters. He was well known in audio, broadcasting and radio teaching and speaking at many professional gatherings always ready to share knowledge before and after his retirement. He was still attending meetings to about 1990. He also attended meetings at Pacific Pioneer Broadcasters until he was in his 90's with his stepdaughter escorting him in later years after his third wife, Elvira passed away.

At 65- years old Hugh decided to take care of himself, having become an insulin-diabetic he wanted to travel the world e.g. Europe, Asia, South America, Mexico, which they did, into his late seventies. Gail passed away in 1989 at their Sherman Oaks home. Hugh was interested in everything having played the guitar and trumpet; collecting; computer; ham radio operations; gourmet foods and cooking; home improvements projects; clubs and professional organizations; and enjoyed socializing with many people.

At 75-years old he met and married Elvira Teixeira and they lived in his Sherman Oaks home after a lovely wedding attended by friends and family given by Elvira's only child, Lenore Sussman. Lenore was later to become Hugh's companion after her mother died keeping Hugh, Dad, in good health by seeing to his medical needs and attending to his finances. Hugh was happy he had acquired a fine daughter in addition to his wife Elvira and considered himself lucky.

Lenore Sussman was always close to her mother, Elvira, so after her marriage to Hugh; Lenore was frequently with Mom & Dad. Unfortunately, Hugh was widowed again after 12 years with Vera, passing away May 25, 2005. After which Lenore fulfilled a promise she had made to her mother of taking care of Dad and was responsible for obtaining care giving for him, his medical needs, and socializing life as well. Lenore & Hugh went out once a week to the movies and dinner up until October shortly before Hugh's fall fracturing his hip, hospitalization, operations and rehab care.

Hugh Allen passed away in the rehab facility where he was recovering and doing well, suddenly, but peacefully saying his goodbyes to caregiver and Rehab Staff Members who were in his room at the time.



## Southern California DX Club, Inc.

**Membership Renewal [ ]**

**New Member Application [ ]**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (MM) \_\_\_\_\_ Call Sign \_\_\_\_\_

Spouses Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (MM) \_\_\_\_\_ Call Sign \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Home: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Do not list in club directory

Work: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Do not list in club directory

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Do not list in club directory or web site

Have you confirmed 40 CQ Zones? Not yet: [ ], Yes [ ], I have a WAZ certificate: [ ].

Spouse? Not yet: [ ], Yes [ ], Has a WAZ certificate: [ ].

Have you confirmed 100 Countries? Not yet: [ ], Yes [ ], I have a DXCC certificate: [ ].

Spouse? Not yet: [ ], Yes [ ], Has a DXCC certificate: [ ].

Are you an ARRL Member? No: [ ] Yes: [ ] Life: [ ]

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--- **Renewal Membership, Full or Associate - \$18.00 USD Per Calendar Year (Jan – Dec)**  
(Additional Family Members \$4.50 USD ea)

**Overseas / Supporting Membership - \$18.00 USD Per Calendar Year (Jan-Dec)**

**New Membership, All Types - \$1.50 Times the Number of Months Remaining in Year**  
(Example: Join in September, pay 4 x \$1.50 – Family Members @ additional 25%)

### BADGES

Small: (1.5"H X 2"W) [ ] Medium: (2"H X 3"W) [ ] Large: (3"H X 3.75"W) [ ]

\$10.00 USD ea including postage (to US addresses)

For badge shipping costs to overseas locations contact Mel Hughes, K6SY at [k6sy@scdxc.org](mailto:k6sy@scdxc.org).

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**Make checks payable to Southern California DX Club or SCDXC**

**Mail Membership Fees and/or Badge Fees to:**

**Mel Hughes, K6SY, 28017 San Nicolas Dr., Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275**

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Dues recvd by \_\_\_\_\_ Amt \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Full Member [ ]

QSLs verified by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Associate Member [ ]

DXCC \_\_\_\_\_ WAZ \_\_\_\_\_ Former Member \_\_\_\_\_ At-Large Member [ ]

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_ Supporting Member [ ]

Aug 10, 2010



# THE PREZ SEZ

**John Schroeder, N6QQ,**  
**President – Southern California DX Club**  
[n6qq@scdxc.org](mailto:n6qq@scdxc.org)

Hello Everybody!

As I am sitting here I am listening to VP8ORK. This country will put me on the honor roll. It only took 53 years. Now for DXCC on 160 meters!

I would be remiss if I did not compliment all the past Presidents for their dedicated service to this office. Larry, K6YUI put in a lot of hours as President. Lucky for me, Visalia will be an easy job for me. I look forward to giving out our two awards. No, I do not know who the recipients are and will not know until the moment I receive the plaques!

The SCDXC has a long and successful history of dedicated volunteers that gave their time, talent and resources. The Board of Directors picked Mel, K6SY and Carl, WU6D to be co-chairman for the 2012 IDXC at Visalia. Congratulations you two! You have established another winning tradition for the club and, as always, under your guidance the convention will be a great success and a fun one at that. Everyone please consider helping out!

Appointments were made for the following positions:

Historian - Jim, N6DHZ

Editor - Bill, N6RV (Bill will be really busy doing the newsletter as well been Vice-President)

Repeater chairman- Larry, K6YUI

Web Master - Jim, N6DHZ. (Jim has found the club a new web-site)

I look forward to Bill's (N6RV) first Raffle. He has captured some good deals!

## **Contests for February**

February 12-13 CQ WW WPX RTTY

February 25-27 CQ WW SSB 160 meter

See you at the February meeting.

**73, John N6QQ      President, SCDXC**

## **Officer Guidelines**

[http://www.scdxc.org/download/Officer\\_Guidelines.pdf](http://www.scdxc.org/download/Officer_Guidelines.pdf)

<http://www.dx-code.org/>



### **Treasurer's Report**

Club financial information is available on request. Contact the treasurer.

### **Officer Guidelines**

The revised version of the Officers Guidelines is available on our website. See the hyperlink below.





## VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

**Bill Kendrick, N6RV,**  
**Vice President Editor – SCDXC**  
[n6rv@scdxc.org](mailto:n6rv@scdxc.org)

### Another Term Begins!

Thanks to everyone who came out last meeting. Thank you for confirming the slate. I am sure we will provide another excellent year for the club. Every one of us is here to make this year great! Hello all board members both new and continuing. We will have a great year and a lot of fun just like last year! It is an honor to work side by side with every one of you. May we get to know each other even better as the year progresses.

Thank you Tom, N6OT, for your service over the years. You have been a great vice president, president, director, and friend. I do owe you a contest weekend and as soon as the smoke clears we are on.

Thank you Carl, WU6D, for serving another term as director. We know you are very busy with the ARRL Orange County Section and your time as well as distance travelled was challenging. In a few months we will be sitting around at Mel and Doris's house digging into the 2012 IDXC planning. I can not wait. It was so much fun last year! I think given the year 2012 we should incorporate the end of the world into the theme.

Last month's meeting was standing room only! Quite a feat given it was an election meeting. It was great to see everyone out in force! If this keeps up we may have to move to a larger venue. Last years the turn out was exceptional every month! If you have not attended in a while you are really missing out.

In the tradition established by our president, John, N6QQ. I will be looking for raffle prizes that I would like to win. Two very good prizes that I think are a fit are a computer monitor and a digital camera. I would like to hear from you regarding what prizes you would like to see in the mix. I am sure you have some good economical ideas that fellow members will enjoy.

See you on Thursday the 10th.

#### January Prize Winners

- |                           |        |
|---------------------------|--------|
| 1) Nikon 3000 Camera      | N6VNI  |
| 2) Tom Tom GPS            | N6OT   |
| 3) Uniden Telephone       | N6HY   |
| 4) Brothers Label Maker   | K6SY   |
| 5) Weather Station        | W6VX   |
| 6) Weather Station        | W6CCC  |
| 7) Tool Box               | KJ6YL  |
| 8) Tools / Soldering Iron | N6RV   |
| 9) Vertical Antenna Book  | WB6PJC |
| 10) Africa Book           | K6DSW  |
| 11) Computer Paper        | K6AWB  |
| 12) Computer Paper        | K5KT   |
| 13) Clock                 | N6OX   |

#### **DXer of The Year**

**Congratulations**  
**Ernie N6HY!**

#### **Clipperton Award**

**Congratulations**  
**Rich AE6RS!**

#### **New Members**

**Please welcome new members:**

**Gabriel Calfas**  
**K6AWB**

**Diana Feinberg**  
**AI6DF**

**Gene Brewer**  
**W5DQ**

**Rick Crosmer**  
**W6ENZ**

**Roger Merideth**  
**K6GVO**

**Linda Souder**  
**KD6HYN**

**Rob Reichman**  
**WA3IHV**

**Lloyd Hendrickson**  
**K6QNY**

**Arnold Schwartz**  
**WB6PJC**

**Stan Thornton**  
**KI6QM**

**David Lopez**  
**N6RI**

**Mark Willardson**  
**N6OUZ**

**Barry Fitshe**  
**N6VOH**

**Mary Gray**  
**KH6VZ**

**Timothy Coker**  
**N6WIN**

**Make sure you meet and greet them at the next meeting!**

# RUMORS ON THE BAND

## *A plethora of announcements, rumors, and serious DX fun*

The big DXpeditions for this month are [South Shetland Islands](#), [Christmas Island](#), [Afghanistan](#), [Iraq](#), [South Orkney Islands](#), [Cameroon](#), [Chad](#) and [Cocos Keeling](#). The ARRL DX CW contest is at the end of the month so there will be several entities active.

Two club members will be out on DXpedition this month. Bob, Grimmick, N6OX joins the team going to Cameroon. Honorary member Baldur, DJ6SI, will be in Chad.

The Micro - Lite Penguin DXpedition group is active right now from South Orkney Islands. Check out their website for the details. This team consists of several well seasoned operators who have activated many rare entities. Get on the air this month and work these two excellent operations!

Chris, VK3FY and Steve, VK6IR are in the planning stages for a DXpedition to [Heard Island in 2013](#). More to come!

Unfortunately the Spratly Island DXpedition hit a snag at the last moment. Chris says they will re-plan the trip for this year.

### Useful DX Sites

[N0HR DXpedition Map](#)  
[www.n0hr.com/wk34/](http://www.n0hr.com/wk34/)

[The DX Zone](#)  
[www.dxzone.com/catalog/DX\\_Resources/](http://www.dxzone.com/catalog/DX_Resources/)

[The Daily DX](#)  
[www.dailydx.com/](http://www.dailydx.com/)

[Announced DX Ops](#)  
[www.ng3k.com/misc/adxo.html](http://www.ng3k.com/misc/adxo.html)

[DXing.info](#)  
[www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/](http://www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/)

[DX 425 News](#)  
[www.425dxn.org/dxped/](http://www.425dxn.org/dxped/)

[Dx-info.de](#)  
[www.dx-info.de](http://www.dx-info.de)

[DX Italia DX News](#)  
[www.marioi2mqp.it](http://www.marioi2mqp.it)

[DH9SB Weekly DX Calendar](#)  
<http://www.dx-info.de>

**Blue Information** indicate particularly rare entities and **Red information** indicate SCDXC member attended DXpedition. As always you have to turn on your radio to work them.

Call	QTH	Start Date	End Date	Information	Website
LU1ZS	South Shetland Isl.	Now	3/15/2011	LU8DIP, 20 & 80 SSB	-
D2AM	Angola	Now	3/17/2011	OM5AM	-
ZS8M	Marion Island	Now	4/1/2011	ZS1HF working trip on the air when possible. Several spots on 40m.	-
YA	Afghanistan	Now	5/30/2011	KD5NOI (T6JC) & K5TLL (T6TL) 40-10 SSB & Digital	-
ZD9	Gough Island	Now	9/1/2011	ZS1LF	-
YI	Iraq	Now		KB2RLB (YI1RLB), KG4GYS (YI4GYS)	-
8Q7FF	Maldives	1/4/2011	1/9/2011	JK1FNL 160 - 6 CW, SSB, RTTY	-
VP8O	South Orkney Isl.	1/27/2011	2/8/2011	K9ZO, ND2T, 9V1YC, K0IR, N1DG, W3WL, N6MZ, I8NHJ, N4GRN, WB9Z, W7EW, VE3EJ, K6AW, EY8MM 160-10 SSB CW RTTY	<a href="http://www.vp8o.com/">http://www.vp8o.com/</a>
J5UAP	Guinea Bassau	2/1/2011	3/31/2011	HA3AUI 160-10m CW RTTY	<a href="http://cgafrica.net/">http://cgafrica.net/</a>
P29CW	Papua New Guinea	2/5/2011	3/5/2011	VK2GR VK2FXGR 80-10m	<a href="http://www.p29cw.blogspot.com/">http://www.p29cw.blogspot.com/</a>
T30	West Kiribati	2/8/2011	2/22/2011	N7OU W7YQA 160-10m CW, RTTY, SSB QRV for ARRL DX CW	-
TJ3C	Cameroon	2/10/2011	2/20/2011	F4AJQ F5UFX FM5CD N6OX N2WB K4SV ON7RN I2VGW F8BGI F6ENO F6BIV F5EOT F5VHQ F2JD F2VX 160-10m CW SSB RTTY PSK	<a href="http://www.tj3c.fr/">http://www.tj3c.fr/</a>
TT8DX	Chad	2/14/2011	2/24/2011	DJ6SI HF CW	-
VK9C/G6AY	Cocos Keeling	2/22/2011	3/6/2011	G3RTE G3SWH 80-10m CW	<a href="http://www.g3swh.org.uk/vk9c-g6ay.html">http://www.g3swh.org.uk/vk9c-g6ay.html</a>

# DX ACCOMPLISHMENTS

*Celebrate the Successes of Our Fellow Members!*

## Updates

Here are the reports for January  
Marty K2PLF 2 deleted PJs 4 New PJs  
Anyone else?

## Remember to Send in Your Updated Standings

Since there will be two more countries added to the deleted list and four new entities added to the DXCC list it seems like we should be busy updating the DXCC standings. Be sure to send them in! Thanks to those who already submitted!

## SCDXC WAZ and DXCC Standings (N6RV)

The first of the two large numbers represent the number of confirmed zones on the 9 HF bands 160-10 (less 60 meters). The next column contain the following codes:

**M** Mixed  
**P** Phone  
**C** CW  
**R** RTTY  
**5** 5 Band

If you have any information to post please email me:

[N6RV@SCDXC.ORG](mailto:N6RV@SCDXC.ORG)

## For Sale

Drake tri-band (140, 220, 440) UV-3 transceiver with microphone, manual, switchable CTCSS, DTMF touchtone keyboard.

M2 model 6M5X 5-element 6m yagi on 18 foot boom. Extremely clean condition.

Please make reasonable offers.

73,

Mark, K6FG  
k6fg@arrl.net

## WAZ STANDINGS

	9B / 5B	Awards
EU7SA	355 / 200	M/5
N6AW	355 / 200	M/P/C/5
WA5VGI	352 / 200	M/P/C/5
W6VX	352 / 199	
K6FG	345 / 196	M/P/C/R/5
W6SR	342 / 200	M/P/C//5
W8DX	339 / 200	M/5
K6YUI	337 / 200	M/P/C/R/5
W6YOO	303 / 200	M/P/C/5
K6YRA	280 / 200	P/5
KC6X	278 / 200	M/C/5
N6RV	268 / 183	M/P/C
K6LD	271 / 172	M/P
KR6C	264 / 166	M/C
KJ6Y	261 / 172	
WD6L	248 / 200	M/P/5
K6SY	246 / 173	P
K6GXO	227 / 193	M
AD6KQ	226 / 164	
N6OU	220 / 200	M/5
N6DHZ	214 / 160	P
KH6DX/m	210 / 184	
NS6C	/ 198	
N6MXU	155 / 193	
K2PLF	191 / 191	
K6KII	191 / 177	M
W6IRD	181 / 147	M/P
W6NRQ	180 / 147	M/P
K6IRD	154 / 126	M/P
WA6BOB	152 / 136	M
K6IRA	118 / 102	
W3SE	102 / 112	
K6VC	96 / 96	P
W6EA	92 / 86	
N6VNI	86 / 64	
KA6TTV	82 / 67	
N6UC	78 / 78	M
N6GIL	49 / 43	
W6DCK	40 / 40	P
WB6PSY	40 / 40	P
K6JW	40 / 40	M/P
KT6LA	40 / 40	
K6YR	39 / 39	
NZ6L	36 / 36	
N6HE	35 / 35	
W4EF	29 /	
N6AWD		M
N6HC		M/P/C
KB6KTV		P
W6OES		M
K8RD		C
K6UNR	/ 200	M/P/5

## DXCC STANDINGS

	TOT / CUR
K6KII	382 / 338
JA1BK	377 / 338
K6YRA	372 / 338
K6EXO	370 / 338
N6UC	365 / 338
K6YUI	360 / 338
NS6C	355 / 338
N6AW	355 / 337
W6HT	358 / 338
W6SR	353 / 338
K6IPV	353 / 334
WA6WZO	352 / 338
K8RD	351 / 338
K6FG	351 / 338
K5KT	350 / 338
K6GXO	350 / 338
K2PLF	349 / 338
N6RV	349 / 336
W8DX	348 / 338
W6OM	347 / 337
W6AUG	345 / 338
KC6X	344 / 337
W6YOO	344 / 334
W6OES	344 / 329
W6KK	343 / 338
W6VX	343 / 338
N6AWD	343 / 336
K6LD	343 / 338
W6DCK	342 / 336
WA5VGI	342 / 336
WB6PSY	342 / 333
N6QQ	340 / 337
EU7SA	340 / 336
KB6KTV	340 / 335
KR6C	338 / 335
N6HC	338 / 333
N6OU	334 / 329
N6HY	333 / 329
AD6KQ	328 / 328
W6IRD	327 / 324
K6UNR	333 / 332
W6QE	332 / 324
KM6HB	328 / 325
KJ6Y	327 / 323
K2IXQ	324 / 325
K6SY	312 / 310
WD6L	295 / 292
W6HB	291 / 285
N6DHZ	286 / 284
W6NRQ	284 / 284
N7CQQ	268 / 266
N6MXU	267 / 265
K6JW	253 / 251
K6DJ	251 / 251
K6YR	244 / 244
K6GEP	239 / 226
K6HCJ	235 / 235
K6IRD	235 / 235
K6GEP	229 / 226
K6VC	227 / 227
N6VNI	206 / 206
KT6LA	202 / 202
WA6BOB	202 / 198
N6HE	152 / 147
KA6TTV	145 / 145
K6OGO	142 / 142
W6EA	138 / 138
W6VWV	134 / 134
W4EF	132 / 132
K6LX	125 / 125
WA6NOL	112 / 111
NZ6L	27 / 27



# SPURIOUS OUTPUTS

## **Visalia IDXC Convention Press Release! (K6YUI)**

DXers! Contesters! Don't miss our 62nd annual International DX Convention April 15-16-17, 2011 in Visalia, California. Enjoy DXpedition presentations - Technical sessions - Vendor exhibits - Contest Academy - Ladies Tour - Golf Tournament - Saturday Banquet - Over \$25,000 in raffle prizes - and meet DXers who travel from around the world to this premier DX event. Early registration closes on March 19th, so register today at <http://www.dxconvention.org/>

*( I just registered on line and it was very easy. (N6RV))*

## **The Enola Gay (W6MPB)**

Urban has supplied more very interesting items. This is a 360 degree look inside the Enola Gay. For those of you too young to know about the Enola Gay Google it *(Since I am one of the younger members I think everyone knows about it ed.)*

<http://www.davidpalermo.com/data/slideshow/4/index.html>

For those interested in remote control planes here is a look at a very fast one! So you thought our hobby was expensive and required good engineering.

<http://www.wimp.com/mphplane/>

## **Future site of HS0ZIA / N6BK (N6RV)**

My friend Bob Kupps sent this self made video flying an ultralight in Thailand over the future site of his massive DX station. The construction and operation of the station may be a future presentation for the club. My plan is to connect with Bob over Skype for a live presentation from Thailand. Is that cool or what? Bob's station construction is underway. I hope he will be far enough along to put a show on for late this year. If not then it will be primed for next year! It will require wireless internet access which should be easy to find in Culver City.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y-260ING2t0>

## **NK6A on the Net (N6RV)**

Don has become quite the celebrity. He was part of a YouTube video. Apparently Don worked a WG0AT who operated QRP from Mt. Herman on the Goat Expedition. This is a fun video!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=scbpnl5kPdA&feature=related>

## **Hayseed Hamfest Company (W6HB)**

Doug forwarded this link to the Hayseed Hamfest Company. They are a source for boat anchor parts.

<http://www.hayseedhamfest.com/>

## **This Spot is for You (N6RV)**

If you have something to share please help us out and send it in! We need input particularly if it pertains to DX!





# SPURIOUS OUTPUTS

## W0GFQ (N6QQ)

John passed this email along to the BULLetin. He suggests we send him a QSL.

Hi Everybody,

On Feb 24th QCWA Chapter 154 in West Palm Springs is celebrating Leo's 100th birthday. For those that don't remember Leo owned and operated World Radio Laboratories in Council Bluffs, IA for many years.

So here's the plan, take a QSL card, write 'Happy 100th Birthday Leo' on it and send it to:

Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ  
19 Park Lane  
Rancho Mirage, CA 92270

Gene Pentecost, President of Chapter 154 will make sure they get to the party so everyone that attends can enjoy them.

One last thing, tell every ham you know to do the same thing, QCWA member or not. Spread the word, at every radio club meeting you attend, at every net you check into.

I want Leo to get hundreds, maybe even thousands of cards.

tnx es 73,  
Bob Roske, NOUF  
President QCWA

## DXØDX POSTPONEMENT (N6RV)

Jan. 12, 2011 – 0506 GMT

To the DX Community at large - It's with regret that as Team Leader, I have to announce the postponement of the DXØDX Spratly Islands DXpedition 2011, due to circumstances beyond the control of the DXØDX Team.

Our situation began when our original mode of transport by ship was terminally damaged back in late October 2010. We then went to our contingency plan which was to fly in, as there were no ships deemed to be safe and provided facilities for safe passage to Pag-Asa, available.

We hand landing permission and booked the correct sized aircraft and with the security cleared pilots. To simplify it, there was conflicting agreements and hence the aircraft could not get approval of its flight plan.

The bottom line is this. We have a license, we have authority to land via ship, hence when the ship becomes available in the near future, it is my intention to activate this entity in 2011.

The team has worked tirelessly to remove the hurdles that were placed before the team in the last minute.

As time was running out for this window of opportunity, and before more operators become stuck here in Palawan, the decision was made to postpone the activation.

A call was placed to PARA advising them that a postponement of the activation would be sought to a date in the near future, where the activation will look at again taking place.

All equipment will need to be exported out of Philippines to comply with current Philippine Customs Law in which it was brought into the country.

The plan is to be re-assessed so the current operators have the first opportunity to be on this future trip.

Once more information is at hand, I will advise the DX Community.

Regards

Chris de VK3FY

Team Leader DXØDX

# SPURIOUS OUTPUTS

## **New Zealand DX Hall of Fame Citations - 2011 (ZL2AL)**

The New Zealand DX Hall of Fame was established in 2009 to honour those outstanding ZL DXers and contesters who have excelled in our radio sport hobby over many years. The current panel of judges includes Ken McCormack ZL1AIH, Duncan McMahon ZL3JT and Bill Carney ZL3NB.

Previous winners have included, Roy ZL4BO, Ron ZL1AMO and Jock ZL2GX (SK) in 2009. Winners in 2010 included Dave ZL1AMN, Aola ZL1ALE and Dave ZL1HY (SK)

This year, after much deliberation the judges were unanimous in their selection and have elected the next three ZL radio amateurs to the New Zealand DX Hall of Fame for 2011. Their individual citations are below.

### **John N. Shaw ZL1BYZ**

The election of John Shaw, ZL1BYZ as the 7th inductee to the NZ DX Hall of Fame recognizes his extraordinary abilities as a contester and DXer. Licensed in 1983, John has proven to be a prolific contest operator and amazing DXer with most of his operations on CW. He usually places highly in major international contests and generates enormous pileups when he operates from his Pukekohe farm. John was a member of the ZL6QH contest group, ZL7T DXpedition, ZL6LH Light House team and a long time active member of the Papakura Radio Club.

He has won the Doug Gorman Frequency measuring contest and numerous Jock White Field Day contests. He was recently made a member of the ARRL A-1 Operators Club. John will be joining the ARRL DXCC Club soon with an initial entry of over 300 countries. He contributes much to the sport of Amateur Radio Contesting and DXing in New Zealand.

We wish John well in the future and hope that he will enjoy having the NZ DX HoF award plaque on his shack wall.

### **Bryan Anderson ZL2AFT**

The election of Bryan Anderson as the 8th inductee to the NZ DX Hall of Fame recognizes his superb DXing skills and outstanding contribution to the sport of radio DXing.

Licensed in 1954, Bryan has a long history of working DX with his own homebuilt equipment and had over 200 countries confirmed by 1975. In 2009 he achieved DXCC #1 Honor Roll with 354 confirmed, mostly with antique Drake equipment and a homebuilt Quad. Bryan has given outstanding service to his local radio club and assisted many ZLs to achieve DX in the pile-ups. He has always tried to keep the hobby in perspective and not let it interfere with the more important things in life, such as his family and his work as a Polytech lecturer in Palmerston North.

We wish Bryan well in the future and hope that he will enjoy having the award plaque on his wall.

### **Peter W. Watson ZL3GQ (SK)**

To the Family of Peter Watson

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that Peter Watson, ZL3GQ (SK) has been elected to the New Zealand DX Hall of Fame.

The posthumous election of Peter as the 9th inductee to the NZ DX Hall of Fame recognizes Peter's extraordinary and unselfish contribution to the sport of Amateur Radio DXing in New Zealand. From his 5.5 acre on the outskirts of Christchurch he achieved 323 entities by 1997, DXCC HR in CW, DXCC HR in Phone, 5BDXCC with 160m Endorsement, 5BWAZ Award #29, 160WAZ Award #26.

His passion was 160M and CW. He routinely set CQWW contest records and recorded the first ZL to VS6 top band contact. As an FOC member he was awarded the prestigious Al Slater award by the FOC committee for outstanding services to amateur radio. He was also a member of the ARRL A-1 Operators Club and a team member of the May 1996 ZL8RI DXpedition to Raoul Island in the Kermadecs. He was an outstanding ZL radio amateur for decades. His last contest was in February 1998 and he became a SK on March 27 of that year.

This award honours Peter's wonderful DXing and Contesting skills and will attest to how accomplished this great New Zealand DXer was.

We offer our heartiest congratulations to these three outstanding ZL radio amateurs who have been elected to the New Zealand DX Hall of Fame in 2011.

Thanks to Ken, Duncan and Bill for their work in selecting the inductees. New Zealand has a rich history of producing world renowned DXers and Contesters. We are delighted that these ZL DXers have been recognized. They are among the best of New Zealand amateur DXers.

73, Lee Jennings ZL2AL

New Zealand DX Hall of Fame Panel Convener

# SPURIOUS OUTPUTS

## Second Request from Stan (SM7WT)

Steve received a second email from Stan, SM7WT, regarding a CD he is producing. Stan would like to add some more California DXers to it and is looking for input.

Hi Steve,

In August, I tried to send an e-mail to you and the other nice hams I had the honor of meeting in Visalia! The answers were very few and I didn't understand why until it hit me that most servers had refused to accept the attached files.

First of all, it was a pleasure for me to meet you! I wish I had been more alert than I was, but no more than 3 to 4 hours sleep a night for a week took its toll! How I managed to talk about TF4M is a miracle for me! Anyway, I hope I managed to hide my fatigue!

During the last six years, I have spent more than 5 000 hours working on my CD "Amateur Radio gives you 2 Million friends" (that was the message on my special Visalia T-shirt).

On the CD, hams present themselves; many also tell about their DXpeditions or their rescue operations. The comments from the readers have been very positive, but so far the CD has reached too few readers.

It's now my ambition to expand the CD and I would be very happy to include your presentation as well as the presentations from the other nice guys I met in Visalia!

I hope you are interested in letting other hams get to know more about you than your name and callsign! I am sure you have much of interest to tell the rest of us, just as I presume you would like to know more about "the ham at the other end!" Like you, he/she has much more to offer than "599 TU."

I hope you will join KH6OO, VE3XN, and many others when they say,

"Thank you for including me!"

My plan is to change the name to "Encyclopedia of Amateur Radio" and try to get at least 700 presentations on the CD.

So what does the CD contain so far? (It's written like a book)

347 hams present themselves on 1062 pages. (I am sure you have worked most of these guys!)

18 recent rescue operations are presented on 89 pages;

27 recent DXpeditions with 385 photos from the participants cover 237 pages;

(Several hams have sent me CDs with their entire photo albums to be used on the CD!)

29 pages are devoted to some significant highlights in ham radio through the years.

So why isn't this a book? 1471 pages and 1600 photos would fill four books and would become extremely expensive! The printing of my book (324 pages) "Thanks to Amateur Radio" in 1994 cost me \$ 10,000! On the other hand, a CD offers several advantages when you search for information or want to magnify a photo to look at details.

I will be happy to send you some examples of presentations from the CD as a 2.3 MB pdf-file. I'm sure you know all these guys: KT6YL, N7BK, N7NG, N7RO, W6CS, W6OAT, WA6WZN, WA6WZO, WA7LT, XE1KK, XE1L, and XE2K. It was an honor for me to meet them! I had met W6CS, W6OAT, and WA7LT in 1970 so it was great to meet Rusty and LaMar again. I met XE1L in Mexico in 1992. (Too bad, Luis, Rusty and Smitty missed Visalia! Rusty came to see me at the motel after his trip to Iceland. I'm very sorry that I didn't have a chance to see Smitty this time!)

Here are some examples of what you can read in the presentations on the CD:

- Several hams who lived behind the Iron Curtain tell us why they lost their licenses.
- Why did King Hussein become a ham?
- The guys at Peter 1 Island, 3Y0X in 2006 got a surprise when a visiting ham stepped in!
- Why did SM7XU get married at the age of 95?
- SM5OK was alone with Heydrich, one of Hitler's closest culprits during WW2.
- DK7PE has operated from 120 countries and SM7ZDC has visited 151 countries.
- CU2JT tells the incredible story of how catching a fish changed his life.
- One of the best known CW-operators and DXpeditioners used a stapler as his first key!
- KT6YL tells how a QSO on 10 Meters led to her marriage.
- SM5API tells how he got 16 TH6 beams and 16 towers for his research project!

Any questions or suggestions just let me know! I would appreciate hints about other interesting hams! I also need examples of how fate affects

us like the story of how I had an e-mail contact with W1ZY just before going to bed and getting up the next morning, the first station I hear is

W1ZY! I use these stories under the headline "With Amateur Radio the World is small!"

73! Stan SM7WT since 1956 active as SF7WT since 2006 [SM7WTSTAN@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SM7WTSTAN@GMAIL.COM)

# TOP TEN MOST WANTED COUNTRIES

North America West Coast

## #7 KP1 Navassa Island

### Navassa Island

Navassa is located approximately 75 miles Northeast of Jamaica and 30 miles West of Haiti. The island is uninhabited and has no water. Vegetation consists of a few scrub bushes and cactus. The island consists primarily of limestone rock with sheer cliffs of 50 to 100 feet extending completely around the island. Landing is accomplished by climbing a steel wire rope ladder installed by the Coast Guard for servicing the unmanned lighthouse.

Columbus reportedly landed on Navassa in 1504. In the early 19th century, bird droppings, or "guano," came to be prized as an agricultural fertilizer. In 1855, the U.S. learned of rich guano deposits on islands in the Pacific Ocean. Congress passed the Guano Islands Act of 1856 to take advantage of these deposits. The act specifically allowed the islands to be considered a possession of the U.S., it also provided that the U.S. was not obliged to retain possession after the guano supply was exhausted. Navassa Island was claimed by the US under this act in 1857 for its guano which was actually phosphorite that was mistaken for guano. Strip mining

took place between 1865 and 1898. Over a million tons of phosphorite was extracted and shipped to Baltimore by the Navassa Phosphate company. The island was abandoned in the Spanish American War nevertheless it was already a US territory. The remains of the mining operation are still obvious. This includes evidence of quarrying, railroad tracks, and an old transfer station.





With the opening of the Panama Canal in 1914, shipping in the passage between Cuba and Haiti greatly increased. The U.S. Lighthouse Service built a 162 foot light-tower (NAV001) on the island in 1917, 395 feet above sea level. A keeper and two assistants were assigned to live there until the U.S. Lighthouse Service installed an automatic beacon in 1929. The U.S. Navy set up an observation post for the duration of World War II. After absorbing the lighthouse service in 1939, the U.S. Coast Guard serviced the light twice each year. The lighthouse was shut down in 1996 and administration of Navassa Island transferred from the Coast Guard to the Department of the Interior.

A 1998 scientific expedition to the island described it as a unique preserve of Caribbean biodiversity; the following year it became a National Wildlife Refuge and annual scientific expeditions have continued. According to FWS internal records, Navassa is among the most pristine marine habitats in the world. The island has been inhabited for years by illegal aliens from Haiti, fishermen who live on the island seasonally.

### **Amateur Radio History**

Hams have been visiting Navassa Island since 1929 and possibly earlier. It appears that for almost 65 years access to the island was readily available. When the island was declared a sanctuary only Haitians with their livestock frequented the island for fishing season. Presumably if an American set foot on the island unannounced the Coast Guard would be dispatched and the offending party removed. Feral cats still roam the island and dogs have been spotted by passerbys.

In friendlier days a permit was easily obtained and, as the table on the next page indicates, the island was visited frequently and activated by many large groups.

The KP1-5 project is currently considering a DXpedition to Navassa in the future. It will most likely be one similar to the Desecheo DXpedition. The USFWS is reticent in issuing a permit to anyone since it is considered to be a pristine wildlife preserve (*less the lighthouse, keepers building, strip mines, boilers, railroad tracks, landing platform, and various items dropped by laborers all over the island*). Of course a few very clean and considerate hams would really pollute this temple to nature. Again Haitians paddle to the island on a regular basis to grab from the oceans bounty probably leaving nets and fishing gear that runs afoul on the bottom to ensnare fish and marine wildlife. One has to wonder why our government is restricting US citizens from traveling to our possessions.

The KP1-5 Project has a very good website.

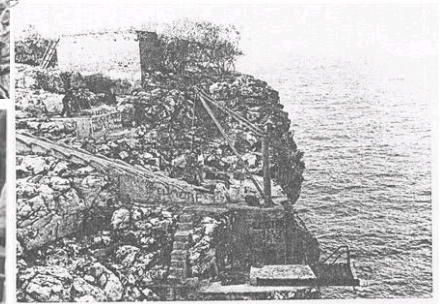
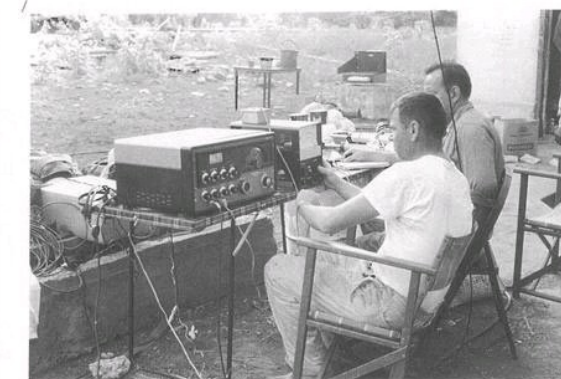
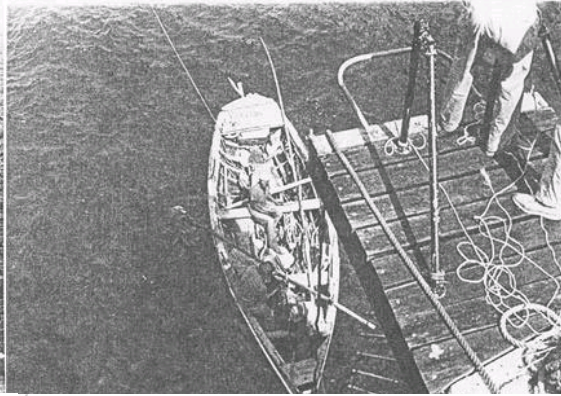
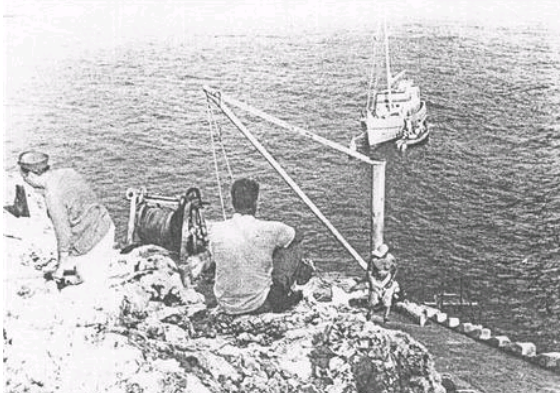
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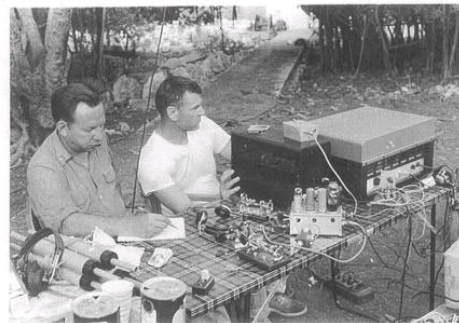
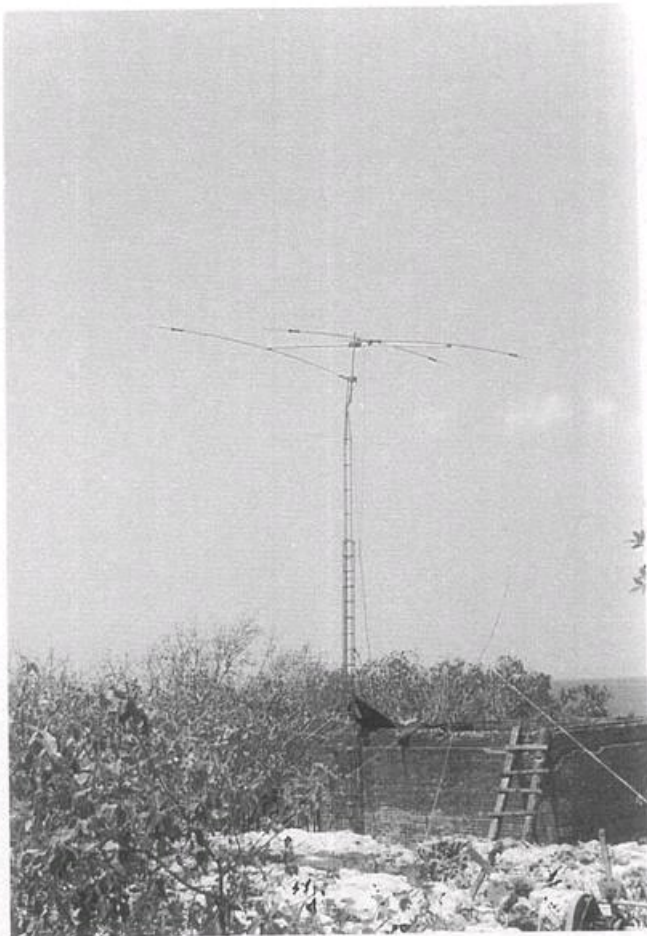


## KC4AF 1958

One of the earliest DXpeditions when there were iron men in wooden boats and tube radios that weighed a ton!



Check out the Drake 2A and Hallicrafters HT 32! It must have been fun hauling these puppies up the cliff!



Ahh... Field Day type operation. The fresh air and cool breeze, the bugs, the rain, the relentless heat!

You can only imagine the smell after a week of not showering! Maybe a dip in the cistern is warranted?



It seems that leveling elements was not a high priority back then! Most of the antenna pictures look like this one. At least they got the antenna up a decent height on a real tower. The location is right next to the cistern and the platform used to haul up the gear.



### **K4NI (1929)**

The earliest evidence of activity from Navassa Island is K4NI in 1929. From the cancellation stamp on the QSL card it appears that he was either in the Coast Guard or Navy. Possibly stationed at the lighthouse or there for re-supply.

### **KC4AB (1954)**

This is the earliest DXpedition to Navassa on record. Don Miller, W4VZQ, Bob Eshelman, W4QCW, and Carl Shenk, WN4HBC made their way to the island. There are several QSL cards on the internet. Again the details of this trip did not make it to the web.

### **W2IWC/KC4 (1957)**

In 1957 Fred Capossela made ,what appears to be from the QSL card, a quick trip to the island. Again no information on the web about this venture.

### **KC4AF (1958)**

A fairly well photo documented DXpedition occurred in 1958. Wayne Green, W2NSD, W4KVB, W8EXZF, W8FGX, and W8RSW made a full assault on the bands. You can read about it at the website below.

<http://hamgallery.com/qsl/country/Navassa/kc4af2.htm>

Note the walkways, platforms, cistern and other man made features present at the time of the DXpedition. Also note the equipment. Thank goodness for modern technology. It is sad to realize that most of the operators are now silent keys.

### **K4IA/KC4 (1969)**

Another DXpedition went to Navassa in 1969. The group of well known and experienced operators put the island on the map again.

<http://hamgallery.com/qsl/country/Navassa/k4ia.htm>

### **W4VPD/KC4 (1969)**

Later in 1969 W4VPD, Enos Schera. From the pictures from the site below it appears to have been a one man operation. Also on the JA1KSO site below there are pictures of the KC4NI and N0TG/KP1 DXpeditions.

[http://home.p07.itscom.net/nob/dx\\_pix/kp1\\_link.htm](http://home.p07.itscom.net/nob/dx_pix/kp1_link.htm)

It should be noted that the Caribbean is a difficult region for Japan. It appears that JA1KSO is waiting for the next DXpedition!

### **W0EXD/KP1 (1971)**

Again all that was found on the web is a few references to the operation and a QSL card.

Navassa Island Activity (KP1)		
Date	Call Sign	Operators
4/1929	K4NI	K4NI
8/1954	KC4AB	W4VZQ, W4QCW, WN4HBC
2/1957	W2IWC/KC4	W2IWC
3/1958	KC4AF	Wayne W2NSD, Don W4KVB, Dale W8DJN, Red W8EZF, Jake W8FGX, Frank W8RSW
6/1969	K4IA/KC4	K4CAH, K4FU, K4IA, KV4FZ, WA4HTR, W4DQS, W4KET, W4PJG, W4QCW, W4USQ
8/1969	W4VPD/KC4	W4VPD
4/1971	W0EXD/KP1	W0EXD
5/1972	KC4DX	Phil W4GTS, Wayne W2NSD, Rick K3FPY, Ray K4PGM, Skip K4TMA, Steve WA4VWV, Chaz W4GKF, Don WB4SST, Neil WB4UPC, Bill WB4WMG
11/1974	KC4NI	Sy K2KA, Frank WB2BXV, Miles W2PAU, Joe W2ORA, Bill K2FT
11/1978	N0TG/KP1	N0TG, W0RJU, W0ZH, AD0P, N0WL, K2KA, W2PAU, W2ORA, WA4SSU, W6OIG
3/1982	KP2A/KP1	K1MEM, KP2A, W2IJB, WA2MOE, N2OO, N6CW, K8CW, W0DX, K0OO
4/1985	6Y5NR/KP1	6Y5NR, 6Y5IC, 6Y5HN, 6Y5KC, 6Y5FS, N2EDF, K2SG, HK3AYM
2/1988	N2EDF/KP1 K2SG/KP1	N2EDF, K2SG, KE4VU, W3GH, N4GNR, KD2NT, KT2Q
1/1992	N0TG/KP1 KW2P/KP1 AA4NC/KP1 AA4VK/WP1 AA4VK/KP1 WA4DAN/KP1	N0TG, KW2P, AA4NC, AA4VK, AA4VK, WA4DAN
4/1993	W5IJU/KP1 NF6S/KP1 KH2S/KP1 KH2W/KP1	W5IJU, JH4RHF, JR4DUW, KB4VLO, K0IYF, VE1AOE, WJ2O, NF6S

## KC4DX (1972)

Here is one of the best documented DXpeditions to Navassa. On the link below is an article from 73 magazine. The ten man team made about 5700 contacts in the three day operation (May 12-15, 1972).

<http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/kc4dx/>

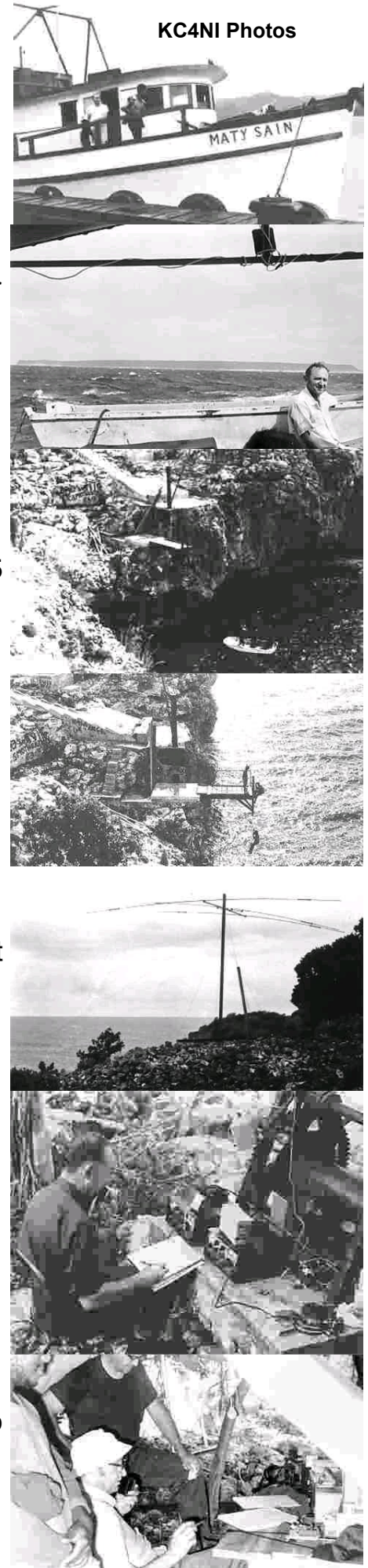
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A group of hams decided to take a trip to the Caribbean. They chose Navassa because it was rare and hard to get to. They loaded up the SS Tycoon in Jamaica and headed out for a 12 hour tour. The weather started getting rough. The tiny shipped was tossed. If not for the courage of the fearless crew the hams who were losing their meals over the side would have been lost. There was little room on the deck after they loaded the 50 boxes of gear. They slept on the flying bridge while the boat navigated the high seas. You know how much a flying bridge moves in high seas? They should have slept standing up on the main deck! OK... these guys were not use to the ocean! They were W3s and W4s! The island was described as an upside down pie tin jutting out 400 feet above sea level. It was ringed by a lower plateau about 75 feet ASL. They landed at Lulu Bay. The bugs were horrendous. Even deet did not help! I know the story well! It was miserable and hot. The island is also full of cactus and the ground was riddled with holes like Swiss cheese.

When they arrived they were about done. They had to scale the wire ladder which was extremely difficult. They hauled the junk up. The rigs were three Swan 500s and a couple of Heathkits. The antennas were a Mosley Classic 33 tribander, a Hustler 4BTV vertical, and a dipole for 75 Meters.

They began setting up immediately. The first problem was one of the rigs failed. It was replaced and repairs were attempted. The VTVM that was brought for that purpose failed so they used the VOM to fix the VTVM. When the tribander was assembled they discovered it had two directors and no reflector! Finally, when they assembled the bidirectional array the element to mast clamps were too small and broke. The author went on to explain the virtues of wood and duct tape. Next when they set up the 18 foot mast for the tribander the top section collapsed. The mast became 12 foot and the dipole for 75 was mounted at 6 foot below the top. That is right! The dipole was 6 feet off the ground. It is sad that at the high point of the island is a very large structure that would have improved the signal quality immensely. You know they could have strung some mighty fine wire arrays from it and blown away Europe, Asia and the US with a super signal. Actually the lighthouse was still active and off limits. This location should be a consideration for the next DXpedition. The only issue is the trek up to the second plateau. With our proclivity to overkill these days it would be no problem to have the helicopter haul the equipment a few feet further. In fact with the money spent on DXpeditions of late it would be almost an insignificant increase to rebuild the keepers quarters and make a permanent station that could be rented out for contests. Any takers?

KC4NI Photos





After the bought with Murphy they were up and running. One operator was going at a 300 Q/hr clip while the other made 24 Qs in 2 hours to the dismay of the stations anxiously waiting to work them. In all fairness the six foot separation between the two antennas wiped out 75! The author noted that there were some persistent hams who would not wait or listen to instructions. I guess that will never change. He did institute a by the prefix operation and pilot stations took list (yuk!). One take away from the operation was to add a do not QSL column to the log for the persistent offenders. He did compliment the German and Japanese operators who were patient, persistent, and courteous. He worked a bunch of them. The rarest DX worked was 7Q7AA and they also worked some SSTV. In fact on a walk about one operator worked stateside on 2 Meter FM with a 5 watt portable. They also checked out the lighthouse and quarters. The cistern was full. In a previous DXpedition there they ran out of water and drank from it. Now that is either brave, desperate or both! They had water and ice this time.

When the left the beam stayed! So much for being environmentally friendly. On the way back one engine died and they limped back to port with a thimble of gas left. The trip was a week start to stop. It underlines the necessity for checking things out before you go.

### **KC4NI (1974)**

In November of 1974 Sy, K2KA, Frank, WB2BXV, Miles, W2PAU, Joe, W2ORA, Bill, K2FT, and Amar, W2FYS travelled to Navassa. They made 7,321 QSOs in 5 days of operation. Again not much information. From the photos it appears they used a Drake line (T4X, R4) barefoot and a Mosley TA-33jr triband yagi. The set up was pretty Spartan. The table was a block of cement left over from the mining operation and a mosquito net over the top.

You can see photos at:

[http://home.p07.itscom.net/nob/dx\\_pix/kp1/kc4ni\\_1.htm](http://home.p07.itscom.net/nob/dx_pix/kp1/kc4ni_1.htm)

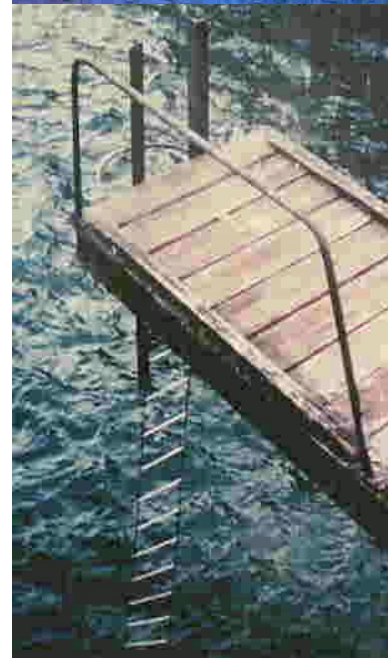
### **N0TG/KP1 (1978)**

This is the first trek for Bill Rowe, N0TG and company. The operation took place from November 26th to December 3rd 1978, 8 days. They netted 12,800 QSOs. There were ten hams in the party. Given the group size and the duration there must have been several hams who happily logged this DXpedition.

### **KP2A/KP1 (1982)**

This operation took place over an 8 day period (March 16-22, 1982). The operators were K1MEM, KP2A, W2IJB, WA2MOE, N2OO, N6CW, K8CW, W0DX, and K0OO. They netted 34,000 QSOs. The group made the Tent and Generator DXpedition honor roll. They even got a snippet in TIME magazine. You can read a small description on N2OO's history page.

<http://www.qsl.net/n2oo/history/>



**6Y5NR/KP1 (1985)**

This excursion took place from April 4-9, 1985. The 8 operators were 6Y5NR, 6Y5IC, 6Y5HN, 6Y5KC, 6Y5FS, N2EDF, K2SG, and HK3AYM. They made 12,800 QSOs in 142 countries in 5 days.

**N2EDF/KP1 (1988)**

This operation took place February 10-18, 1988. The operators were N2EDF, K2SG, KE4VU, W3GH, N4GNR, KD2NT, and KT2Q. 18,500 QSOs were made in 8 days. Again not a lot of information was available on the web.

**W5IJU/KP1 (1993)**

The last recorded DXpedition to the island was by 9 DXpeditioners, W5IJU, JH4RHF, JR4DUW, KB4VLO, K0IYF, VE1AOE, WJ2O, and NF6S. It occurred over a 7 day period, March 27th to April 2nd. Two firsts from Navassa occurred on this trip. Kumiko, JR4DUW was the first YL to operate from KP1 and Don, VE1OAE made the first satellite contact. In fact it was the first major satellite effort from Navassa. They netted 35,000 QSOs. Ever since the island has been silent.

# KC4DX 1972

Obviously this was a different era where hams took a lot of risk and had a lot of fun.

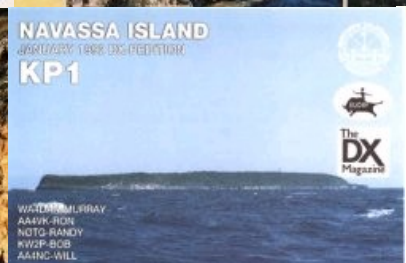
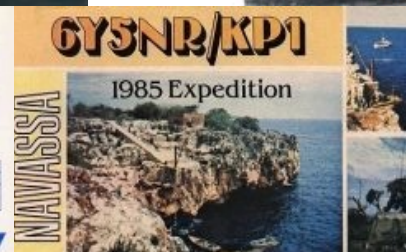
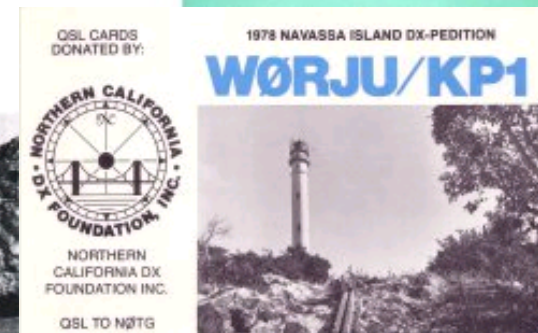
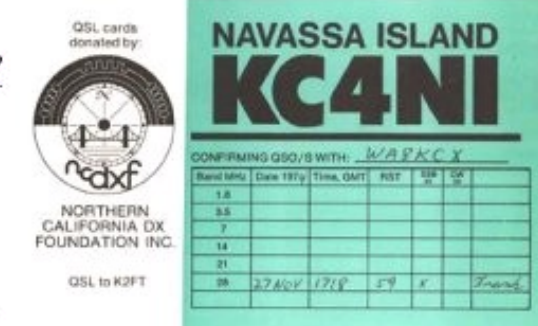
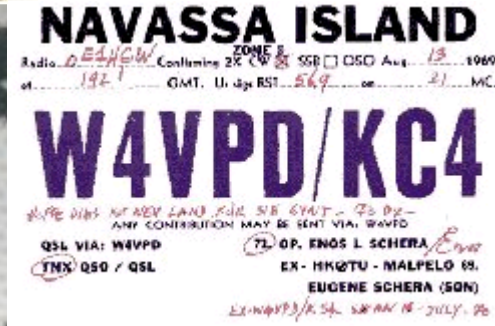
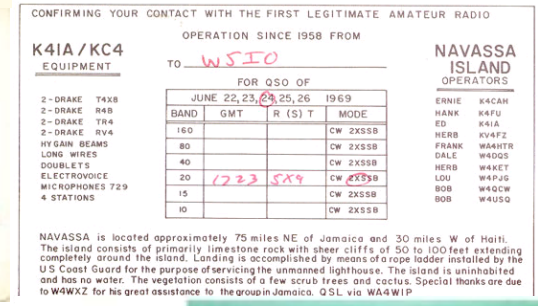
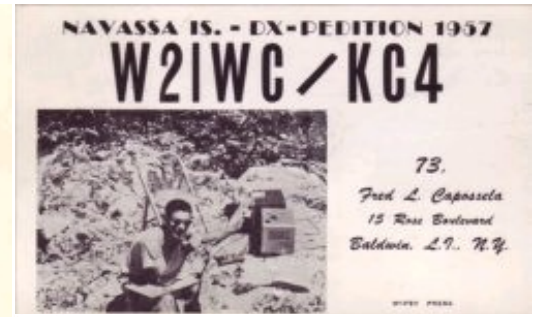
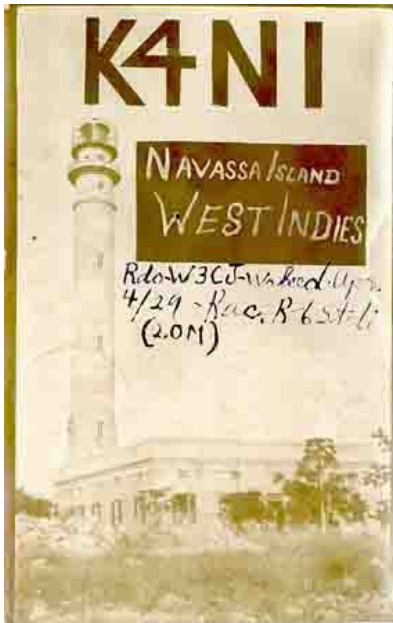


## Future Operations

As mentioned earlier the KP1-5 Project is planning an operation at some unknown time. Hopefully it will be during this solar cycle peak. With the efficiency of the recent operations this one would net well over 100,000 QSOs. Because of its proximity to the US and Europe it may break the 250,000 mark. This is one of the rare places for Asia and I am sure that several Japanese operators would volunteer. Being it is only a few hours of sailing possibly a 30 man crew is within reason. The island is large enough to support several bases and the blockage from the plateau would be a natural attenuator greatly reducing the interaction between stations. Again this would be very inexpensive relative to say Heard Island. The only major cost that was not realized by previous DXpeditions would be the helicopter that would make the access and set up much easier. That lighthouse still looks like an ideal antenna tower to me! Can you imagine how loud they would be? Note that the prior DXpeditions for the most part did not have amplifiers. Yes, this bird could be killed with one stone!



# Navassa Island QSL Cards





So this ends the story of the seventh most wanted entity from the West Coast. I hope you enjoyed the journey as much as I have researching and writing about it. It is amazing that this island that is a stones throw from Haiti is so desperately needed. Perhaps we can convince the current administration which is dying to create jobs to put a permanent resident on the island to chase away poachers and clean up the mess that has accumulated over the years. It would make a great WPA project and with gold over \$1300 an ounce maybe some more mining is in order!

If we have some influence we could even make it a ham and help support him during his tenure! We could send him antennas and gear along with fishing and diving equipment. He could actually become self sufficient with the ample protected seafood and the updated cistern. Anyone interested should apply immediately. Well what are you waiting for... send one of your grandchildren or even one of you children if they are still living with you. It would be an experience of a lifetime replete with pirates and drug runners! OK enough comedy. I needed to fill in the page and it is getting late.

Next we will look at Somalia, Amsterdam Island, and Juan De Nova and Europa. That should finish up the series. By the way if you have not noticed there are very few articles coming in. Taking on the VP position will cut into the time I have to expound on various subjects. I will try to put in an article from time to time. Without your help this newsletter will stagnate. If you have any skill at writing please consider taking a few days out of a couple of months to compose something. If you have no skill at writing do it anyway! I will keep the author anonymous :-)!

See You Next Month!



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2	SV/A	MOUNT ATHOS
3	P5	NORTH KOREA
4	7O	YEMEN
5	FT5T	TROMELIN
6	VK0/H	HEARD ISLAND
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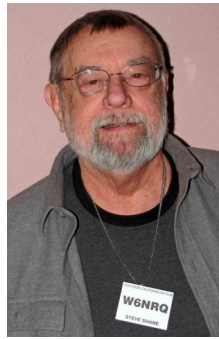
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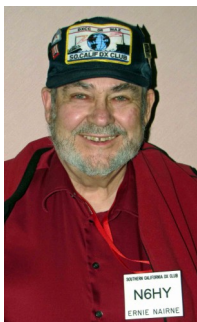
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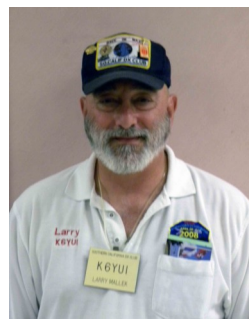
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